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Media Advisory

DoD announces death of Fort Carson Soldier

FORT CARSON, Colo. – The Department of Defense announced today the death of a Fort Carson Soldier who was supporting Operation Freedom's Sentinel.

Spc. Joseph P. Collette, 29, of Lancaster, Ohio, died March 22, of wounds sustained when his unit encountered enemy fire while serving in Afghanistan.

"The 71st Ordnance Group (EOD) is deeply saddened by the loss of Spc. Joseph P. Collette. We extend our deepest sympathies and condolences to his Family and friends," said Col. David K. Green, commander of 71st Ordnance Group (EOD).

Spc. Collette was assigned to the 242nd Ordnance Battalion, 71st Explosive Ordnance Disposal Group. Full service information and photo are attached. This incident is under investigation.

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